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SUBJECT: VISIT OF MRS. JOAN K. BENZIGER

REF: STUDENT COUNSELING ACTIVITIES

1. MRS. BENZIGER, DEPUTY CHIEF FOREIGN STUDENT PROGRAMS, OFFICE OF YOUTH, STUDENT AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS, WILL PARTICIPATE IN STUDENT COUNSELING WORKSHOP IN COLOMBO MARCH 2-5 AND ETA CONFERENCE AT LUDHIANA MARCH 10-12. BOTH SESSIONS WILL DEAL WITH COUNSELING FOREIGN STUDENTS SEEKING INFORMATION REGARDING AMERICAN HIGHER EDUCATION.

2. PRIOR TO LEAVING INDIA SHE WILL SPEND EVENING OF MARCH 13 IN CALCUTTA UNOFFICIALLY. PLEASE NOTIFY ALEXANDER LIEBOWITZ, POL-ECON OFFICER AMCONSULATE
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CALCUTTA THAT MRS. BENZIGER WILL ARRIVE INDIAN AIRLINE

NO. 493 AT 1855 AND DEPART MARCH 14 AT 1320 THAILAND
AIRWAYS NO. 312. REQUEST CONFIRMATION FROM LIEBOWITZ.

3. UPON DEPARTURE FROM INDIA, MRS. BENZIGER INTENDS TO
VISIT COUNSELING CENTERS IN BANGKOK, HONG KONG, TAIPEI
AND TOKYO, AND REQUESTS POSTS TO SCHEDULE MEETINGS WITH
APPROPRIATE INDIVIDUALS TO ALLOW FOR SUBSTANTIVE

DISCUSSION OF COUNSELING ACTIVITIES FROM SUCH ORGANI-
ZATIONS AS IIE, USIS AND THE COMMISSIONS WHERE APPLICABLE.
ALSO ANY ADDITIONAL ORGANIZATIONS ENGAGED IN COUNSELING
NOT FUNDED BY CU WHICH POSTS CONSIDER IMPORTANT.

4. HER ITINERARY FOLLOWS:

LV COLOMBO AT 1330 INDIAN AIRLINES NO. 574 MARCH 6
AR MADRAS AT 1440 MARCH 6

LV MADRAS AT 1845 INDIAN AIRLINES NO. 440 MARCH 6
AR NEW DELHI AT 2120 MARCH 6

AR BANGKOK AT 1710 THAI AIRWAYS NO. 312 MARCH 14

LV BANGKOK AT 1815 THAI AIRWAYS NO. 602 MARCH 16
AR HONG KONG AT 2300 MARCH 16

LV HONG KONG AT 1640 CATHAY PACIFIC NO. 550 MARCH 21
AR TAIPEI AT 1800 MARCH 21

LV TAIPEI AT 1630 SINGAPORE AIR NO. 638 MARCH 23
AR TOKYO AT 2015 MARCH 23

LV TOKYO AT 1920 NW NO. 022 MARCH 25
AR HONOLULU 0655 MARCH 25

5. PLEASE RESERVE SINGLE ROOM IN FIRST CLASS HOTEL FOR
PERIODS OF HER VISIT IN EACH CITY INDICATED AND APPRE-
CIATE WHATEVER FACILITATIVE ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE.

6. AMEMBASSY NEW DELHI PLEASE NOTIFY DR. PREM PASRICHA
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USEF/I BENZIGER TO ATTEND ETA CONFERENCE. REQUEST
PASRICHA RESERVE SINGLE ROOM AT SAME HOTEL AS SPRAGGS
AND SMITH NIGHTS OF MARCH 6-8 IN NEW DELHI, ALSO RESERVE
SINGLE ROOM AT PUNJAB UNIVERSITY GUEST HOUSE NIGHTS OF
MARCH 9-12. SHE WILL REQUIRE TRAIN RESERVATIONS TO AND
FROM CONFERENCE. DESIRES TO LEAVE WITH SPRAGGS AND
SMITH TUESDAY, MARCH 9 AND RETURN NEW DELHI SATURDAY
IN TIME FOR IC NO. 493 FROM NEW DELHI TO CALCUTTA AT

1645.

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